

"Reduce Your Carbon Footprint" Kid's Challenge

Follow the directions below for a chance to win!

To participate: cut out the Scavenger Hunt below and check off at least ten things on the list you and your family have done. Take a photo of you and/or your family members doing something to "Reduce Your Carbon Footprint." Drop off or mail the Scavenger Hunt and photo to the Lloyd A. Stage Nature Center to be entered in our drawing for a \$10, \$15, or \$25 Gift Certificate sponsored by the Troy Garden Club.

The Gift Certificate will be redeemable for any Nature Center Program or for merchandise in the Cattail Cove Nature Shop. All photos received will become the property of the Lloyd A. Stage Nature Center and will be displayed.

The deadline for entry into the contest is March 31 and the drawing will be held on April 1.

For More Information Call 248.524.3567

"Reduce Your Carbon Footprint" Scavenger Hunt

Our carbon footprint is the relative amount of carbon dioxide we produce while going about our daily activities: driving to work, doing laundry, turning on a light. By making small changes in your everyday life, you can not only reduce your negative impact on the environment, but also save a pretty big chunk of change in the long-run. **Take a "step" in the right direction: Reduce Your Carbon Footprint.**

At My House We...

- ☐ Turn off the tap while brushing our teeth
- ☐ Make sure dish washer is full when doing a load
- ☐ Turn central heating down by 1-2 degrees
- ☐ Turn down water heater by 2 degrees
- ☐ Use energy efficient light bulbs
- ☐ Turn off lights when no one is in the room
- ☐ Unplug electronics when they are not in use
- ☐ Start a vegetable or herb garden
- ☐ Buy local food and avoid out of season produce
- ☐ Avoid products with too much packaging
- ☐ Take our own re-usable bags to the store
- ☐ Start an organic compost pile
- ☐ Drink tap instead of bottled water
- ☐ Carpool to school or work
- ☐ Walk, bike, or use public transportation
- ☐ Shut down computers at the end of the day
- ☐ Print double-sided and use the grayscale setting
- ☐ Recycle paper, plastic, glass, and aluminum
- ☐ Buy/Use Recycled paper and plastic products
- ☐ Other: _____



Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Age: _____

Troy Youth Soccer League

1977 E. Wattles Road, Troy, MI 48085

Phone: 248.524.0170

www.tysl.org or tysl@sbcglobal.net

Spring 2009 soccer registration began on November 1, 2008 and will concluded on February 3. TYSL offers recreational soccer for Troy residents (proof required) born before July 31, 2002 and under 19 years old (copy of birth certificate required for new players). The registration fee of \$75 can be paid by check (preferred) or by cash and can be mailed to the TYSL office or dropped in the office door mail slot. Registration forms can be downloaded from our website. Please note: All inquiries after February 3 will be placed on a waiting list and be subject to a \$25 late fee. Uniform – all players must purchase league uniforms from the TYSL office for \$50.

TYSL office hours:

- Tuesday 11am-1 pm and 6-8 pm
- Thursday 11am-1 pm and 6-8 pm
- Saturday 9 am-12 Noon

Any questions please call TYSL or visit their website.

ATTENTION: Troy Athens and Troy High students.

TYSL is offering co-ed soccer this fall for all students between 15 and 19 years old. Sign up with a friend and you both will be on the same team. Cost is \$75 per person.

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Troy Baseball Boosters (TBB)

2009 Registration going on NOW!

Next Registration date: Tuesday, March 3; 6:30-8:30 pm
Troy Community Center

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, March 10

Contact TBB at:

Voicemail: 248.689.6390

Email: don_harbin@yahoo.com

TBB website: www.troybb.org

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Tree Donor Program

A tree in a community is everything; a source of beauty, an air purifier, a heat modifier, a soil stabilizer, wildlife habitat and even adds to property value.



The *Re-Greening of Troy* is a tree donation program to replace trees that are being removed because of the Emerald Ash Borer disease or to replace a previously existing tree. A tree sponsor can be an individual, organization, business or school group that is willing to purchase a tree. A Tree Sponsor Form can be obtained by calling 248.524.3484 or online at: www.troymi.gov/parksrec/trees.



Troy Family Aquatic Center is perfect for all ages! Season Passes go on sale March 19 – see page 34.



Get outside and sign up for spring Tennis lessons – see page 67.



Plan ahead for this summer and reserve a Park Shelter for that Family Picnic or Reunion.



FACILITIES

26. **Troy Civic Center** - City Hall, Troy Public Library, Police Department, 52-4 District Court, Peace Garden, Veterans Memorial, Troy Community Center.
27. **Department of Public Works/Parks Department** - Motor pool, streets and parks garage.
28. **Lloyd A. Stage Nature Center/Troy Farm** - 100 acres of trails, interpretive center and farm buildings.
29. **Sylvan Glen Golf Course** - This 18 hole, par 70, 6,741 yard course which includes a pro shop, restaurant and grill room.
30. **Sanctuary Lake Golf Course** - This cart only course is an 18 hole, links style par 72 course which includes practice facility, clubhouse with pro shop and grill room.
31. **Troy Museum and Historic Village**

◆ City of Troy Fire Stations 1-6

SCHOOLS

- A. Athens High School
- B. Baker Middle School
- C. Barnard Elementary
- D. Bemis Elementary
- E. Boulton Middle School
- F. Costello Elementary
- G. Hamilton Elementary
- H. Hill Elementary
- I. Larson Middle School
- J. Leonard Elementary
- K. Martell Elementary
- L. Morse Elementary

- M. Pembroke Elementary
- N. Schroeder Elementary
- O. Smith Middle School
- P. Susick Elementary
- Q. Troy High School
- R. Troy Union Elementary
- S. Wass Elementary
- T. Wattle Elementary
- U. Woodland Elementary

Facilities/Amenities	Acres	Baseball Softball	Soccer fields	Tennis Courts	Sand Volleyball Courts	Baseball	Disc Golf	Fitness Walking Trails	Fishing	Play Structure (Accessible)	Swings	Picnic Shelter Reservable - R (Capacity)	Skate Park	Bocce, Shuffleboard Courts	Restrooms
1. Beach Road Park	10	●	●							●	●				
2. Beaver Trail Park	7				New			●		●	●				
3. Boulan Park	53	●	●	●	●	●		●		●	●	● R-250			●
4. Brinston Park	18	●	●	●		●				●	●	● R-150			●
5. Flynn Park	25	●								●					●
6. Firefighters Park	96	●	●		●		●		●	●	●	● R-250			●
7. Huber Park/Aquatic Center	20			●	● AC			●		● AC					● AC
8. Jaycee Park	44	●	●		●					●	●	● R-250			●
9. North Glen Park	10														
10. Raintree Park	38	●			●		●			●	●	● R-250			●
11. Redwood Park	3	●				●				●	●	●			●
12. Robinwood Park	19				●			●		●	●	●			
13. Schroeder Park	12	●	●												
14. Sylvan Glen Park	40								●						
15. Undeveloped Park 1	6.5														
16. Undeveloped Park 2	12														
17. Undeveloped Park 3	22														
18. Undeveloped Park 4	14														
19. Undeveloped Park 5	15														
20. Undeveloped Park 6	20														
21. Undeveloped Park 7	3														
22. Undeveloped Park 8	5														
23. Undeveloped Park 9	.75														
24. Undeveloped Park 10	1.5														
25. Undeveloped Park 11	1.8														
26. Troy Community Center		●	●					●		●			●	●	●

Park Shelter Reservations

began Monday, February 9

February 9th was the first day to reserve shelters for the season. Groups must be 75% Troy residents, work in Troy for the company having the function, or be a bonafide member of the sponsoring Troy organization. A roster may be required. Fees are non-refundable.

Beer Permits

Beer permits (keg beer only) are issued only to groups who have reserved a picnic shelter. Permits will not be issued for ball games, etc. Consumption of beer with a permit is restricted to the shelter only. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in Troy parks is prohibited except by permit. Permits are only available in person at the Troy Community Center during regular business hours.

Questions: call Troy Parks and Recreation at 248.524.3484

Court and Diamond Reservations

City of Troy residents, 18 years and older, can reserve tennis courts, ball diamonds and sand volleyball courts on a first come, first serve basis beginning May 1, at no charge. One court or diamond reservation per person, per day only one week in advance of permit date. Phone reservations are not accepted. The number of courts and/or fields available may vary depending on department program usage. Troy residents who reserve a picnic shelter may also reserve a court or ball diamond. For more details call 248.524.3484.

Sponsorship Opportunities

You can partner with the Parks and Recreation Department on one of the many programs and events offered in our community. Your participation in supporting an event will provide you with marketing exposure to the hundreds and even thousands of program participants. To learn more about how you can get involved contact Mary Jane Happy at 248.524.3484.

Parks and Recreation Board

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is appointed by the City Council to make recommendations regarding recreation programs and park and facility development for the City of Troy. The Board meets most months on the third Thursday at 7 pm at the Troy Community Center. Meetings are open to the public. Call 248.524.3484 for a current meeting schedule.

The Park Board Chairman can be reached at:

Tom Krent 3184 Alpine, 48084 248.649.4948

Coach Volunteer Form

Coaches are needed for rookie basketball, soccer, youth volleyball, girls softball, floor hockey, youth basketball and flag football. Please fill out the form below if you are interested in coaching. Return form to Community Center front desk.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Sport: (please check one)

Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Girls Softball	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flag Football	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floor Hockey	<input type="checkbox"/>

Head Coach ☐ Assistant Coach ☐

Activity #: _____ School: _____

Child's name: _____

Returning Coach: Yes No

If yes, which sport? _____

All Troy Parks and Recreation volunteer coaches are required to submit information for a criminal background check.

Lost and Found

Have you lost or found something at one of Troy's parks or facilities or at a school while participating in a Parks and Recreation activity? Items lost or found in one of Troy's parks are stored at each park. If you were participating in a recreation program when the item was lost, check with your instructor first. Items found at the Community Center, Aquatic Center, Nature Center or Golf Courses remain at these sites. Items found at a school are stored at the Community Center, but check with the staff at the site where you lost the item first. Lost and found items are kept a maximum of 30 days and then given to a charitable organization.

Americans with Disabilities Act

Persons with disabilities are welcome to participate at parks and in our programs. Program modifications and reasonable accommodations will be made. Please let us know in advance if you need special accommodations. Contact Carla Vaughan, ADA Coordinator at 248.524.3484.

Class Confirmations are e-mailed

Add us to your address book: parksandreconline@troymi.gov in order to receive your receipt. This will avoid it from going to your Spam mail. Be sure your household e-mail is up to date and we will e-mail a confirmation to you as soon as your registration has been processed. This will take three to five days after we begin processing registrations. To update your household information contact the Parks and Recreation office at 248.524.3484 prior to registration day.

When payment is a problem

It is the policy of the Troy Parks and Recreation Department that no child in Troy be excluded from a program because of inability to pay a fee. Confidential application may be made to the Superintendent of Recreation, and if a hardship exists, the applicant may be granted a full scholarship, reduction in fee or payment plan. Please call Stuart Alderman at 248.524.3484 for scholarship information. Please note: We are not able to waive fees for some programs and special facilities.

Photo Policy

Photographers commonly take pictures of recreation department activities, which are subsequently used in fliers, promotional materials, on our website, in Troy Today and by sponsors. If you prefer not to be included in such photos, please let the photographer know before he/she begins taking the pictures.

Editorial Policy

Although the Troy Parks and Recreation Department goes to great lengths to ensure that all information contained in this magazine is accurate at the time the magazine is printed, errors occasionally occur and last minute changes in programs, classes or activities – such as dates, time and locations – may be necessary due to circumstances beyond our control. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience and understanding.

Employment Opportunities at the Troy Community Center

Lifeguard: Enforce rules and regulations of the aquatic facility and assist the manager in daily operations. Hours are flexible and include day, evening and weekend shifts. Must be at least 16 years of age. American Red Cross Lifeguard Certificate is preferred. Pay rate \$8.50-\$12/hour.

Swimming Instructor: Instructs all ages in swimming skills. Will train. Hours are flexible and include day, evening and weekend shifts. Prefer instruction experience. Must be at least 16 years of age. Pay rate \$8.50-\$12/hour.

Aquatic Instructor: Instruct individuals in water aerobics. Should hold aquacise certification, CPR and First Aid Certifications. Prefer instruction experience. Must be at least 17 years of age. Pay rate \$8.50-\$25/hour.

Recreation Aides: Performs day-to-day operations including supervision of activities in the fitness rooms, gymnasium and control desk. Work schedules are flexible and include early morning, evening and weekend shifts. The pay rate begins at \$8/hour.

Troy Parks and Recreation Employment Opportunities

The Parks and Recreation Department is always in search of recreation leaders and instructors with special skills and interests. We offer part-time employment in many areas. We are accepting applications at the Community Center for these paid positions:

- **Sport Coordinators** - For Spring and Summer.
- **Camp Leader** - Summer 2009. Minimum age 18.
- **Tennis Instructor** - Summer 2009. Minimum age 16.
- **T-ball Instructor** - Summer 2009. Minimum age 16.
- **Outdoor Aquatic Staff** - Summer 2009 - Lifeguards (Lifeguard Certificate preferred).
- **Girls Softball Umpires** - Summer 2009. Mornings and evenings. Minimum age 18.
- **Safety Town Instructors** - Summer 2009. Prefer college students.
- **Adult Softball Scorekeepers** - Summer and early Fall of 2009. Prefer 16 and older.
- **Adaptive Program Supervisor** - To assist at recreational programs for adults with developmental disabilities. Day, evening and weekend hours available. Must be at least 18 and available year round.

Troy Parks and Recreation - a great place to work!

Make new friends
Earn extra money
Perfect first job for high school students
Flexible hours
Positive and friendly environment
Gain valuable work experience
Apply Today!

Volunteer Opportunities

Minimum age 14 to volunteer with our programs.

- **Adaptive Recreation:** Evening and weekend activities for persons with disabilities.
- **Camp and Safety Town:** Must be 14 yrs. old and two week commitment required for Safety Town. Summer 2009.
- **Girls' Softball Coaches:** Adult coaches needed for grades 3-8 from late May - late July on weekday mornings, early afternoons and some evenings.
- **Hershey Track and Field:** Volunteers age 15 and up needed to help conduct this meet which is held in June.
- **Nature Center:** Teen - adult volunteers to assist with various programs and projects.
- **Senior Citizens:** Pick up an application at the Community Center for details.
- **Youth Basketball Coaches:** Adult coaches needed for boys' and girls' Saturday basketball. Grades 7-12 in winter.

**Apply in person at Troy Parks and Recreation,
3179 Livernois or call for more information
248.524.3484.**

SHARP Home Repair Volunteers Needed!

SHARP (Senior Home Assistance Repair Program), offered in partnership with the Community Foundation of Troy, provides free home repairs for senior citizens and persons with disabilities. Volunteers of all ages are needed for repair and support tasks. Volunteers who can perform basic electrical, plumbing, handyman, yard work, and clean up activities as well as support tasks such as fund raising and record keeping are needed. Please call the Troy Community Center at 248.524.3484 for more information and to request a SHARP volunteer application.



The outdoor Aquatic staff provide a safe and fun environment for swim lessons. More than 1,900 people take swim lessons each year at the award winning Troy Family Aquatic Center.